

FCC Commissioners
The Federal Communications Commission RE: Docket 04-435
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear FCC Commissioners ,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the FCC's proposal to relax the restrictions on the use of cell phones on airplanes in flight.

Whether or not cell phone use interferes with airliner navigation instruments, cell phone use should be prohibited for other important safety issues. First of all, in the event of an emergency, all passengers must be able to hear and understand instructions from the flight attendants and the pilots. If individuals are occupied talking on their cell phones, they will miss the instructions, and their personal conversations could prevent others from hearing instructions. Secondly, there are enough situations in airlines already that lead to passenger rage, such as cramped seating areas, rules which require passengers to stay onboard even though the plane is being held at the gate or on the tarmac. Cell phone use, with accompanying loud and intrusive conversations, will add to the stressful cacophony on board which fuel bad behavior in passengers.

Please leave the current rules in effect.

Sincerely,

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